

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported as
Maria Theresa	Austrian cruiser	5900	30	10,000	Captain Hans	Shanghai
Alouette	French gunboat	300	—	—	Lieut. A. Balloy	Saigon
Argus	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Crespin	Canton
Arctique	French gunboat	475	2	450	Commander Journe	Saigon
Avalanche	French gunboat	580	—	—	—	Canton River
Bergall	French gunboat	4009	19	9500	Lieut. Pilo	Haiphong
Bugeaud	French cruiser	625	—	—	Capt. Lefevre	Shanghai
Comete	French gunboat	690	—	—	Commander Louel	Haiphong
D'Almeida	French gunboat	8114	14	12,000	Commander Leamy	Shanghai
D'Entrecasteaux	French flag ship	3733	10	9000	Captain Fournet	Chefoo
Erant	French cruiser	1240	6	2500	Captain Serbis	Wosung
Kersaint	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Le Gallier	Saigon
Le	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Bécou	Saigon
Oly	French gunboat	3888	14	8500	Capt. Hurst	Yangtze
Pascal	French cruiser	9437	8	6071	Captain Louis	Taku
Redoubtable	French cruiser	1600	—	—	Captain Bonifay	Along Bay
Sfax	French cruiser	829	2	560	Capt. Vincens	Saigon
Saurio	French gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Morant	Shanghai
Takling	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Yangtze
Vauban	French cruiser	—	—	—	Captain Broude	Along Bay
Vigilant	French gunboat	400	4	441	Comdr. Villeneuve	Canton
Vipere	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Shanghai
Rissard	German gunboat	1600	8	2900	Comdr. von Bassewitz	Kiautschow
Russar Bismarck	German flagship	11,000	36	14,000	Captain Friedrich	Wosung
Goltz	German gunboat	1600	8	—	Capt. Hilbrandt	Shanghai
Hansa	German cruiser	6000	20	10,000	Capt. Paschen	Shanghai
Hertius	German cruiser	6000	20	10,000	Capt. Paschen	Shanghai
Isar	German gunboat	1000	10	1800	Lieut. Commander Stümmel	Nagasaki
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1800	Comdr. Berger	Shanghai
Lucas	German gunboat	850	10	—	Comdr. Wulffmann	Chefoo
Schwabe	German gunboat	1120	8	1500	Commander Hilbrand	Singapore
Seeadler	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Comdr. von Mittelstadt	Shanghai
Tiger	German gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. von Weise	Tsintau
Vierthaus	German gunboat	—	—	—	—	Tungting Lake
Thetis	German gunboat	—	—	—	—	Shanghai
Leonbardia	Italian cruiser	2900	10	6843	Captain John Best	Shanghai
Marco Polo	Italian cruiser	4533	16	10,543	Captain Best	—
Pesini	Italian cruiser	2250	10	7000	Captain Canio	Nagasaki
Vesuvio	Italian cruiser	4500	14	6820	Captain Zexa	Shanghai
Dia	Portuguese gunboat	720	—	—	Captain Azevedo	Hongkong
Zaire	Portuguese gunboat	600	—	—	Captain F. J. B. Leol	Hongkong
Admiral Nachimoff	Russian cruiser	9000	18	8700	Captain Steunmann	Hakodate
Albat	Russian gunboat	510	6	750	Comdr. Ginter	Vladivostok
Anaur	Russian cruiser	2050	6	4700	Comdr. Granatkeff	Port Arthur
Dobro	Russian gunboat	300	8	1150	Comdr. Gwong	Port Arthur
Eidmann	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Comdr. Xuehiff	Port Arthur
Gromoslav	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Zagarauky	Shanghai
Grobov	Russian battleship	12,364	44	16,500	Captain Jensen	Port Arthur
Gulnik	Russian gunboat	1090	6	1600	Comdr. Shumoff	Port Arthur
Korotetz	Russian gunboat	1213	7	1500	Captain Orloff	Shanghai
Krasnaya	Russian gunboat	1225	7	1400	Commander Muraviev	Vladivostok
Osvyany	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Vasiloff	Port Arthur
Peresviet	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Captain Koroff	Port Arthur
Petrogradsk	Russian battleship	10,060	16	17,600	Captain Jakoff	Port Arthur
Poltava	Russian battleship	10,560	16	10,600	Captain Osoff	Port Arthur
Sebezynek	Russian cruiser	1354	10	850	Comdr. Kuvavsky	Shanghai
Rosin	Russian protected cruiser	12,200	32	17,000	Captain Sepelrenipoff	Vladivostok
Rurik	Russian protected cruiser	10,923	28	13,250	Capt. Matusevich	Yokohama
Sovastopol	Russian battleship	10,995	16	10,600	Captain Florosieff	Port Arthur
Silatch	Russian gunboat	850	8	1125	Lieut. Comdr. Ivanoff	Port Arthur
Sivovitch	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1120	Comdr. Ginter	Port Arthur
Varyag	Russian cruiser	5500	27	20,000	Capt. Bahr	Port Arthur
Vascha	Russian gunboat	600	9	3300	Comdr. Zgoriansky-Kissel	Port Arthur
Zabinka	Russian cruiser	1230	6	1194	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Arthur
Amphibia	U. S. gunboat	1000	10	1277	Commander Karl Rohrer	—
Don Juan de Austria	U. S. gunboat	1150	8	1600	Commander C. G. Borman	Manila
Frolic	U. S. gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Comdr. J. M. Helm	Manila
General Alava	U. S. gunboat	1800	—	—	Lieut. Comdr. W. F. Halsay	Manila
Helena	U. S. gunboat	1392	8	1983	Capt. R. B. Ingersoll	Shanghai
Isla de Cuba	U. S. gunboat	1923	8	2200	Commander W. J. Maxwell	Manila
Isla de Luzon	U. S. gunboat	1650	8	2200	Comdr. J. K. Cogswell	Manila
Kentucky	U. S. flag ship	11,500	41	10,000	Captain C. H. Stockton	Kobe
Manila	U. S. gunboat	1900	3	760	Comdr. T. H. Stevens	Haiphong
Monandock	U. S. monitor	3940	6	3000	—	Tientsin
Monocacy	U. S. gunboat	1370	6	850	Comdr. F. M. Wise	Shanghai
Montevideo	U. S. monitor	4084	4	6244	Comdr. Dyke	Shanghai
New Orleans	U. S. cruiser	4140	—	—	Lieut. Comdr. Sperry	Nagasaki
New York	U. S. flag ship	8200	24	17,401	Captain M. R. S. Mackenzie	Anoy
Princeton	U. S. gunboat	1000	6	800	Commander J. P. Selfridge	Manila
Vicksburg	U. S. cruiser	1000	10	1118	Capt. R. B. Barry	Manila
Wilmington	U. S. gunboat	1397	8	1894	Commander E. S. Frim	Shanghai
Yorktown	U. S. gunboat	1710	6	1801	Commander W. Swift	Manila

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.
Auction.
Notice: Auction of 200 tons Cardiff Coal,
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Gedun Co's Storage Yard, Yantai.
Meeting.
10 p.m. Meeting of Perseverance Lodge.

General Memoranda.
Wednesday, September 17.
3 p.m. Auction of Household and Office
Furniture, at No. 29, Gage Street.
Thursday, September 18.
Goods put under seal after this
date subject to rent.
Friday, September 19.
Goods put under seal after 4 p.m.
on this date subject to rent.
Saturday, September 27.
Notice: Meeting of Shareholders of The
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BIRTHS.
On August 4, at Lahat, Dato. Borneo,
the wife of D. Ten Bugeon, of a Daughter.
On the 14th September, at the Peak,
Hongkong, the wife of David Wood, of a
Son.

DEATH.
During the voyage home, two days from
Naples, on the N. D. S. S. *Rosie Albert*,
Elder Harrison died, infant son of Mr.
and Mrs. Herring of Dara Puteh, Kinabatangan
River, Sandakan, British North
Borneo.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 5.40 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1902.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

It is impossible for us
to ignore, if we would,
the events that are
transpiring everywhere in
the city of Canton, the great metropolis
of South China. We have noted from
time to time the many successful move-
ments in the direction of progress that
have been made during the viceregency
of His Excellency T'o Mo. His vigorous
and enlightened defence of the Kadoorie
English School, in answer to the base
insinuations of Hung Ka U, is fresh in
the minds of our readers. One of the
latest achievements was the reorganization
of the Provincial University with
a full staff of teachers. This work has
all been ably carried out under the
guidance of the able Superintendent,
Lu Tsik Shan (姚和臣), a man holding
the Han Lin or highest Chinese degree,
but who is in the heartiest sympathy
with western education. During the
short time he has been in charge, he has
put the university on a new and more
satisfactory basis. He has carried out
reforms that would, if faithfully adhered
to, produce results of the highest
interest to the welfare of China.

We hear with the deepest regret, there-
fore, that the councils of the enemies of
progress have prevailed against him, and
the opposition is so strong and bitter
that he has been obliged to tender his
resignation, which Tak Shan, the
Viceroy Designate, has been so short-
sighted as to accept. A considerable
part of the staff, or professors has
also resigned. We say it with all respect,
but it seems a most unfortunate thing
that the close of T'o Mo's rule of the
Two Kwang and the beginning of
Tak Shan's should be marked by what
is sure to prove a most serious hindrance
to the success of the provincial univer-
sity. One of China's greatest men
said not long ago that what is
most of all needed in that Empire
is men. That is all very well, but it is
equally plain that when really capable
men are found the power of those who
hate progress seriously interferes with
it. It does not actually seem put an end
to their career. It would be a story of
no small interest if we could get behind
the scenes and expose to public contumely
the men, some of them in high position,
who have done this great injury to
their country. One thing is very
plain it was a dangerous experiment to
leave Hung Ka U in his office of chief
director to the university. Honest he
may be, but how antiquated are his
ideas as set forth in his attempt to
banke Ellis Kadoorie's noble and
disinterested effort to lift China from
the mire and clay. That gentleman
has certainly proved himself a good
Samaritan, but as was remarked in
these columns not long ago, so low is
the moral tone of many of China's
leading men, not to mention the people
in general, that whenever anyone wishes
to help them his motives are sure to
be misconstrued. The Chinese do not
believe in altruism. They doubt their
own countrymen when they see them
engaging in works of benevolence, and
no surprise need be felt, therefore, if
the 'foreigner' should attempt to do
anything of the same kind that
sinister motives are attributed to him.

In Tak Shan is still a man in his
prime, and we hope for him many
years of usefulness in his zeal for the
bettering of his country.

A Tennis Champion
Mr. A. S. Anthony has won the Lawn
Tennis Championship of Peking for the
thirteenth time in succession. He beat
V. D. Parsons 6-0, 6-3, 6-2. Anthony
and Dürer won the Championship Pairs
and the Double Handicap, Parsons the A
Singles and Miss Strenson and C. E. Craig
the Mixed Doubles.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.
Notes by the Way.
Parcels per s.s. *Faleta* are now ready
for delivery.

The N.Y.K. Shanghai liners are in
future to carry two doctors.

The mails ex *America* have been
transferred to the *Princess Irene*.

An Oxford and Cambridge Dinner
will be held at the Singapore Club on
Friday, Sept. 25.

Wells have been sunk by the Sing-
apore Municipal authorities to relieve the
water famine at the southern port.

The estate of Mr W. R. Sutton, car-
rier, of Golden Lane, London, was sworn
in 1900 at £2,073. It has since been sworn
again at £2,095,800.

The American Minister to Japan,
Colonel Buck, had gone on a cruise in the
U.S. flag-ship *Neos York* to Hokkaido,
Cebu, Manilla, etc.

The Douglas S.S. Co. is expected to
pay a dividend of \$2 per share for the
year or 6 per cent., and write off \$12,000
from the value of the steamers, &c.

The Prince of Wales, who is expected
to visit India early next year, will not, it is
believed, proceed to the East unless the
Princess of Wales is able to accompany
him.

The M.B. salvage ship *Oura* started
from Nagasaki on the 4th inst. to tow the
N. Y. K. S. *Rigim Maru* to Nagasaki, but
met bad weather and had to put in to
Hiro.

The Emperor of Korea is trying to get
a loan of half a million roubles from the
 Russo-Chinese Bank to help to pay his
 Coronation Anniversary celebration ex-
penses.

There were 200 European and 46
Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library,
and 18 European and 1,725 Chinese visi-
tors to the Museum during the week
ending 14th September.

An American, named Murphy, being
wanted by the police at Yokohama, they
arrested an English Dr. F. Murphy, dis-
regarding his denials, and made him lose
his passage to San Francisco by the *Deris*.

To Correspondents.
A letter on 'The Publichouses of
Hongkong' is held over till to-morrow.

The Health of the Colony.
During the past week the Colony was
practically free of communicable disease.
There was only one case of plague, the
patient being a Japanese and only one
fatal case of cholera, the victim being a
Chinese.

Parsee New Year.
We take the opportunity of wishing
our Parsee friends the compliments of the
season. The Parsees are celebrating to-day
their New Year festival. A special
Zoroastrian service was held at the Parsee
Club at 8 a.m., this being the 1272 year of
Yezdesh.

Armed Robberies.
Four men were brought before Mr.
Hazelard at the Magistracy this morning,
charged with being concerned in three
armed attacks upon boat people on the
22nd July, 21st August, and 5th Septem-
ber. In each case property of considerable
value was carried away. The men were
arrested at Yantai. This morning re-
mained the accused.

Stealing Coal.
At the Magistracy to-day, two masters
of cargo boats and two boatmen were
charged with stealing six cwt. of coal on the
4th inst. It appeared from the evidence
that the coal was sold by the Mitsui
Bussan Kaisha to a Chinese dealer, and
during the transfer from seller to purchaser
six cwt. were put into cinder boats. The
two boatmen were convicted by Mr. J.
H. Kemp, and were sent to prison for
three months.

'If Honestly Carried Out!'
Our Shanghai contemporary the N.C.
Daily News adopts the same attitude to-
wards the new Treaty with China as our
selves. The following paragraph occurs in
a leading article on Sir James Mackay's
work, published on the 11th inst.:—He has
given heavy subsidies against which he has
received an undertaking by the Chinese
Government 'that all barriers of what-
soever kind, collecting like or such like
duties or duties, shall be permanently
abolished on all roads, railways, and water-
ways in the Eighteen Provinces of China
and the three Eastern Provinces.' 'The
bearing of this,' to quote Jack Bunslby,
'lies in the application of it; but it is
generally agreed that if it is honestly
carried out, in spirit and letter, it is worth
the subsidies conceded.' 'No unprejudiced
person who will give the Chinese Govern-
ment credit for an intention to carry out
the treaty it has signed will deny that Sir
James has deserved well of his country.'

LOCAL AND GENERAL.
The King and Ireland.
It has been practically decided that his
Majesty the King will visit Ireland either
late in the Autumn or in the Spring of
next year.

Royal Memorial to Queen Victoria.
The King and other members of the
Royal family are about to place a permanent
memorial of Queen Victoria in the Church
of Saint Mildred's, Whippingham. It will
probably take the form of an Altar and
Reredos.

Football.
The final tie for the Warren Football
Challenge Shield was played at Singapore
on the 6th inst., the finalists being the
50th Co., R.G.A., and the Tanjong Pagar
F.C. The game resulted in a win for the
gunners by 5 goals to nil.

The Hongkong Regiment.
On Saturday night, Major Berger and
the officers of the Hongkong Regiment
entertained H. E. Major-General Sir W.
J. Cascoigne and staff at dinner in the
Hongkong Hotel. We understand that the
Regiment leaves early next month for
Johannesburg, where it will be disbanded.

The Australian Cricketers.
The last match in the programme of
the Australian cricketers in England was to
be started at Hastings last Monday against
a South of England team. It is now finally
settled that the Australians will visit South
Africa next month, under the auspices of
the Johannesburg Wanderers' Club. It is
understood that the Australians will play
two matches in Johannesburg against an
All South Africa Eleven.

New Deputy Superintendent of Police.
The *Singapore Free Press* of the 9th
inst. says:—Captain Lyons is leaving next
week for Hongkong, says the *Perak Pioneer*,
where he has obtained an appointment as
Deputy Superintendent of Police. This is
the second Perak official Hongkong will
have taken. In Captain Lyons, the F. M. S.
Police will lose a most capable and hard-
working officer, who will not be easily
replaced. Perak's hearty best wishes for
success in his new sphere, will go with him.

Chess.
The Chess Tournament at Hanover has
resulted in a win for Janowsky, who lost
only one game—and that to the erratic
Mason—out of seventeen, with a score of 13½
points. Pillsbury, who lost to Janowsky,
Cohn and Napier, was second with 12
points, and H. E. Atkins, the English
amateur, who was making his debut in
Master Tournament play, third with 11½
points. The other prize-winners were:—
4, Mieses, 11 points; 5 and 6 (tie), Napier
and Wolf, 10 points; 7, Tschigorin, 9
points; 8, Olland, 8½ points.

Coronation Coincidences.
A correspondent writes to the *Standard*
to point out that His Majesty the King is
the second child of our late Queen, bears
his title by his second Christian name, and
receives his Crown in the second year of his
Reign, on the second occasion of public
thanksgiving for his recovery from danger-
ous illness, in the presence of the Heir
Apparent—himself the King's second son—
and of a second generation of direct des-
cendants; and attended also by representa-
tives of that two-fold dominion beyond the
seas which the Crown of Great and Greater
Britain unites into one Imperial whole.

The Ambling Ricksha Coolie.
There is nothing more aggravating
than the ricksha coolie who tries to get rid
of an undesirable fare by joggling along at
what is little better than walking pace.
He generally puts in plenty of 'action',
but the ricksha does not get any 'for-
warder.' An Indian clerk employed at the
Magistracy came across a coolie of this sort
the other day. The coolie refused to travel
'at a reasonable speed' and eventually
refused to travel at all. He was brought
before Mr. J. H. Kemp at the Magistracy
this morning, and was fined \$2, with the
alternative of seven days in prison.

An Adventurous Trip.
Captain Newman and his son Edward
arrived at Falmouth on the night of 14th
August in the 38-foot launch *Abiel Abbott*
Lor, in which they sailed from New York
on 9th July. In an interview Captain
Newman said:—The launch has proved
herself a noble boat, but we have experi-
enced awful times since we left New York.
Several times, in terrible gales, we nearly
lost our drag anchor, owing to the gear
chafing away. We voyaged 3,105 miles.
We had great trouble with the kerosene,
because the tanks which held it broke and
the oil flooded the cabin. My boy became
ill and home-sick. I suffered greatly from
exposure and long sitting in one position.
We spoke the American line steamer
Koonland on 1st August in mid-Atlantic.
After this we encountered a series of most
severe gales, and the hardships were so
great that we feared we would not survive.
We did not speak another vessel until 13th
August, when we met a fisherman ninety
miles off the Scilly Islands. These last
ninety miles were the longest I ever sailed
in my life. I would not hesitate, however,
to try the voyage again. Captain Newman
lost thirty pounds in weight on the trip.

TELEGRAMS.
[REUTERS' SERVICES.]
**FRENCHMEN ATTACKED BY
CHINESE.**
London, September 12th, 1902.
Two French railway employes have been
robbed and nearly killed by Chinese be-
tween Peking and Pootunglu.

HEAVY RAINS IN ENGLAND.
Crops Damaged.
Heavy rains have blighted the harvest in
England. Acres of grain have been ruined,
and potato disease is spreading.

A hailstorm on Wednesday caused enor-
mous havoc to fruit and hops in Kent.
The damage to hops in one parish of Mid-
Kent is alone estimated at one hundred
thousand pounds.

THE LATE WAR.
**To Aid Distressed Britishers
and Foreign Neutrals.**
It is officially announced in Johannes-
burg that in addition to three millions
sterling for distressed burghers, two
millions sterling will be assigned for
the assistance of distressed Britishers and
neutral foreigners who suffered by the late
war in South Africa, both sums to be
chargeable to the Imperial Government.

THE HARVEST IN ENGLAND.
London, September 13th, 1902.
As a result of the late rains, the harvest
in England is the worst since 1860. A
considerable rise in the price of wheat is
expected.

**DUBLIN AND THE CRIMES
ACT.**
The Dublin Corporation have adopted a
resolution protesting against the insult and
outrage to the citizens by the proclamation
of the Crimes Act in Dublin, which is
described as the most crimeless city in the
world.

**HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING,
WEAVING AND DYEING CO.,
LIMITED.**
The ordinary annual meeting of share-
holders in the Hongkong Cotton Spinning,
Weaving and Dyeing Co., Ltd., was held
in the offices of the General Managers,
Messrs. J. H. Matheson and Co., this
forenoon. The Hon. C. W. Dickson pre-
sided, and there were also present—Messrs.
A. Hauptmann R. C. Wilcox (Consulting
Committee), W. A. Cruickshank, K. McK.
Ross, C. H. Ross, J. Barton, K. A.
Ching, J. A. Ching, Ho Fook, Lo
Cheung Shiu, Ho Yu Sam, A. Shaw
(Manager), A. Brooke Smith (Secretary),
&c.

The Chairman said.—The Report and
Statement of Accounts now before you I
propose, with your concurrence, to take as
read.—The result shown I hope you will
regard as satisfactory. Our Yarns are be-
coming well and favourably known, and
there is a steady and increasing demand for
them, which, under normal conditions,
should allow of our working with fair
margins. The position appeared to your
Consulting Committee sufficiently encourag-
ing to justify the purchase of additional
preparation machinery, and a further 5,000
spindles, part of which has already arrived
and been erected, and the remainder is ex-
pected to be in working order early next
year. Although lately we have been
hindered to some extent by considerable
sickness amongst our operatives, yet we
have reason to congratulate ourselves that
we, this year, escaped any severe visitation
of plague, and if only we are next year
equally fortunate we may then hope to
benefit by increased production from the
addition to our plants, and also from the
gradual improvement which is taking place
in the aptitude of our workpeople. The
health of our employees is a matter of very
great importance to the Company, and it is
obviously good policy to ensure their being
comfortably housed. To this end, it has
been decided to expend a considerable sum
in the erection of a large and suitable build-
ing, capable of accommodating some 800
hands, the site selected being upon land
adjacent to the mill itself and belonging to
the Company. These quarters should be
ready for occupation by the end of March
next, and it is hoped that, being kept as
they will be in a strictly sanitary condition,
the dangers of an epidemic will be very
much minimized. The items of expenditure
I have alluded to will explain to you the
reasons which necessitate writing off Pro-
perty Account what may appear to you a
large amount.

The Chairman then intimated that he
would answer any questions.
No questions were asked, and the
Chairman moved the adoption of the report
and accounts.

Mr. K. A. Ching seconded.
Agreed unanimously.
Mr. J. Barton proposed the re-election of
Messrs. Hauptmann and Wilcox to the Consult-
ing Committee.

Mr. K. McK. Ross seconded.
Agreed unanimously.
On the motion of Mr. Cruickshank,
seconded by Mr. C. H. Ross, Mr. W. H.
Potts was re-elected auditor.

This concluded the business of the meet-
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CANTON NOTES.
(From Our Own Correspondent.)
THE TROUBLES OF A UNIVERSITY.
Canton, September 12.

It has been an open secret for some time
that things have not been going smoothly
at the College of the Two Kwang. This was
confirmed the other day by a statement in
the *Ling Hoj Pao* that the Superintendent,
Lu Tsik Shan (姚和臣), had sent in his
resignation and that it had been accepted.
Some of the professors anticipated this by
giving notice, and others have followed
suit. According to the gossip of the
yamen, a Cantonese, Leung Sing Hoi
(梁星海), who is a Professor in the
Hupai Province and a great friend of
Chang Chih-tung, sent a telegram to T'o Mo
severely criticizing the innovations of the
Superintendent. Among these may be
mentioned the introduction of foreign
music as represented by an American
organ (which, I believe, has never been
played). It is hard to see what fault
could be found with the singing, for the
words were all in praise of Confucius. 'No
doubt the chief fault of the Superintendent
is that he has succeeded in making the
College approximate a Western Institution.
The ousting of this man of enlightened
ideas is a triumph for the anti-progressive
party, for it would be a misuse of words to
call them conservatives. But what can be
expected from an establishment which in-
cludes a man who played a prominent part
in the tragedies in Peking two years ago.
The name of Ting Yun Cheung (丁雲長)
has been mentioned as a successor to Lu
Tsik Shan.

The latest educational movement is to
open a high school for girls in this city.

CRICKET.
**Officers, R.G.A. v. Sergeants,
R.G.A.**

Given a clear sky, a clean pitch, and a
couple of good teams, an interesting, if not
exciting, contest may be expected, a truism
that those fortunate enough to be present
at the match played in the Happy Valley
on the 11th inst., between the Officers and
Sergeants of the Royal Garrison Artillery
were not slow in realizing. The Officers,
who were lucky in winning the toss, sent
in Fanshawe and Smith to the bowling of
Thurlow and Harvey, and were not separ-
ated until 41 had been compiled, Smith
being nearly caught by Wallis. Fanshawe
was now joined by Clapham, when Fan-
shawe, after a spell of most patient batting,
was bowled by Thurlow. Cunningham now
faced the bowling of Field, and made things
lively until caught by Gallagher. The score
was now four wickets for 102. Stevenson
and Clapham now went into partnership,
and were not parted until the latter,
who was a fine exhibition of free and
vigorous hitting, was stumped by Meggs.
Boyd quickly caught up the mantle, and
before Stevenson was dismissed for a
plucky 24, the score stood 6 wickets for
151. It was here, just as their opponents
were commencing to lose heart, misfortune
overtook the batsmen, and Watson, Bland,
Clark, Spencer, and Disney were all ac-
counted for in rapid succession, the innings
closing for 103. Boyd's 52, a fine piece of
cricket, expiring the scoring.

Following on for the Sergeants, Wallis
and C.Q.M.S. James elected to bat first,
but were quickly parted, Wallis being out
for 10 before wicket. His successor, Meggs,
was cleaned bowled by Clapham. C.Q.M.S.
James, who had been steadily scoring, was
now joined by Field, and matters rapidly
improved, when James' wicket fell after
a meritorious innings of 25, which accom-
plishment was heartily recognised by those
present. The partnership of Field and
Thurlow was brief, the former being bowled
by Fanshawe, but not before he had put
together a smart 13. Sergt. James was
sent back after having contributed a useful
6, making the score 6 wickets for 82.
Ansell now joined Thurlow, who was short-
ly after stumped by Smith, retiring with
a credit of 11 against him, and was followed
by Ansell who punished the bowling in a
delightful style, compiling 22 before being
cleaned by Cunningham. With 57 to win
with four wickets, play livened up, but
after a desperate struggle, the innings
closed for 103, Cunningham treating Har-
vey and Even in the same manner as
Ansell, leaving Smith, who was run out by
2, and Gallagher not out for a similar
number. The cricket was well worth
watching, the batting especially being
good, and the fielding unusually smart.

Appended are the scores:—

OFFICERS.
Lieut. L. A. Fanshawe, b. Thurlow 25
" H. W. Smith, c. Wallis, b. Thurlow 18
Capt. D. Clapham, spd. Meggs, b. Harvey 26
Lieut. Cunningham, c. Gallagher, b. Field 23
Field 23
Capt. Stevenson, b. Wallis 24
" Boyd, b. Thurlow 32
Lieut. Watson, c. Field, b. Wallis 0
" Bland, c. and b. James 0
" Clark, c. Harvey, b. Wallis 1
" Spencer, b. Thurlow 3
" Disney, not out 0
Extras 19
Total 103

SERGEANTS.
Sgt. Wallis, l.w., b. Fanshawe 0
C.Q.M.S. James, b. Fanshawe 25
Sgt. Meggs, b. Clapham 0
Field, b. Fanshawe 13
Mr. G. Thurlow, spd. Smith 11
Sgt. James, spd. Smith, b. Fanshawe 6
C.Q.M.S. Ansell, c. Cunningham, b. Stevenson 22
C.Q.M.S. Harvey, c. Smith, b. Stevenson 6
" non 6
Sgt. Ewan, c. Cunningham, b. Stevenson 5
C.Q.M.S. Smith, run out 2
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CORRESPONDENCE.

THE JOCKEY CLUB AND DISCARDED GRIFFINS.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, September 15.

Sir, I have read with interest the correspondence on this subject, and I must confess that as a mere ordinary member of the Jockey Club I cannot for the life of an understanding why the Stewards have refused to accede to the very reasonable request of Mr. Ponitex, backed up as he was by almost everyone of the subscribers. The only reason I have seen put forward—that the conditions announced before the drawing provided otherwise—is surely no reason at all.

It is not alleged that any one would have been prejudiced by the alteration asked for.

Why then should the Stewards refuse to consider the expressed wishes of the subscribers whom they represent and whose Trustees they may be said to be? Why, again, any person should think it necessary or desirable to write a letter in the tone of the "Reply to Mr. Ponitex," signed "Griffin" in your issue of Saturday last—passes the understanding of an ordinary man—Yours.

FAIRPLAY.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, 16th Sept., 1902.

Sir,—Without wishing to prolong this correspondence, there is one point which I should like to take in dealing with your correspondent "Griffin," and which I missed in my reply to his letter in your issue of the 11th inst. In both of "Griffin's" letters he refers to the rules, which he says I should have examined before the drawing took place. This omission on my part he considers fatal to my case. I admit that there have been any rules to examine, and I have been bound by them, but it was impossible for me to make an examination of rules which did not exist. All that took place was an announcement made by one of the Stewards immediately before the drawing, that the discarded ponies would have to be re-raced, and that which was announced I did not happen to hear.

EDWARD C. PONITEX.

VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

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DEAR SIR, It is considerably over a year since the subject of a new Volunteer Headquarters was first broached. As will be remembered, the majority of the Corps voted for the site at the Happy Valley, but up to the present nothing has been done towards the actual building.

If the Government were approached and asked to hand the Bellis Reformatory at Causeway Bay over to the Corps, I think a great deal of time and money might be saved; and at the same time a building, which has not achieved its purpose, might be used to advantage.

A letter situation could hardly be found. The polo ground is well suited for a parade ground, the Rifle Range is close by, and now that the majority of the Corps have been converted into regular artillery, North Point Battery would be preferable to the long range through Queen's Road to Belcher's.

I have never been inside the building itself, but think it well adapted to the needs of a Headquarters. The ground there might be used as an armory and office, while the existing dressing rooms, etc., would be situated on the upper floor. It seems a pity that such a fine building should be a "White Elephant" when it could be used to advantage, and I feel sure Mr. Bellis would be only too pleased to consent to the transfer.—Yours.

VOLUNTEER.

[We understand that the Bellis Reformatory is already "caveat" for the school for European children. If not, it appears to be well-situated for Volunteer Headquarters. The Government and the Committee might keep this in view.—E.C., G.M.]

Fined for Washing Feet.

"Cleanliness is next to godliness" is the old saying, but it is cleanliness may also land a man in gaol. Ng Hat, a worthy coolie, did not know this when he washed his feet the other day. He was caught in the act, and was haled before Mr. J. H. Kemp, who fined him \$2, with the alternative of seven days in prison. Ng Hat's mistake lay in washing at a street hydrant, and thereby wasting the public water supply. He will be more careful in future.

Suspicious.

It is reported from Tientsin (says the N.C. Daily News) that Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai is much concerned with the receipt of news from Germany, that a steamer laden with 10,000 Mausers and sixty pom-poms, with the necessary ammunition, had left Hamburg in June last, presumably for China. But the moment the steamer had left Hamburg all trace of it was lost until it was learnt that she had arrived in some Philippine port in July, where the munitions had been transhipped into another vessel. Then came news that the cargo had arrived in August at Macao, where a steamer lying the Chinese flag took over the arms and ammunition. From this spot all trace has been lost. Secret enquiries made at all the treaty ports at the instance of the Peiyang authorities have failed, so far, in giving the needed enlightenment, and it is thought that the cargo was meant either for the Kuangsi rebels or to arm the rapidly multiplying Boxers in the Yangtze Valley.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—
On the 15th at 11.37 a.m. The barometer has risen generally.
Pressure is lowest in the Pacific to the E. of Luzon, and highest over the E. coast of China and Japan.
Fresh N.E. winds in the Formosa Channel and N. part of the China Sea.
Forecast:—Moderate N.E. breezes; fair;

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

Aquatic Sports, 1902.

President:—His Excellency Sir Henry

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Melver, Mr. T. H. Reid.

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Referee:—Mr. R. H. Mitchell.

Starter:—Mr. H. W. B. Kennett.

Handicappers:—Mr. Melver and Mr. M.

A. A. Souza.

Official Timekeeper:—Mr. W. Orchard.

SATURDAY, September 13.

There was a large concourse of spectators of the Sports on the closing day. The Grand Stand in front of the Club premises, overlooking the swimming enclosure, and a large large kindly lent by Mr. E. A. Rowett, agent of the P. and O. Company, were crowded, the grand stand being reserved almost exclusively for ladies. His Excellency Sir Henry Blake, G.C.M.G., accompanied by Lady Blake and Miss Blake, were early in attendance, and Commodore and Mrs. Robinson, Major Rogers, Hongkong Regiment, Mr. W. B. Dixon, Chief Manager, Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., and Mrs. Dixon were among the present.

The various events were closely contested, and, in the end, it was found that Mr. M. A. Razack was the winner of the Championship of the Club and the valuable cup presented by the Chairman, Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G. Mr. Razack showed good form throughout the sports, and his points in the scratch events totalled 22 as against 21 scored by Mr. N. H. Alves.

Regret was general that the Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. W. White, who had worked very hard to make the aquatic sports a success, was prevented by illness from being present and participating in the competitions. The members of the Committee deserve credit also for the admirable arrangements they had made for the comfort of their guests and for the management of the three days' programme, which was carried out without a hitch.

During the afternoon, excellent music was played by the band of the 10th Bombay Infantry.

At the close of the Sports, the company adjourned to the site of the Club Gymnasium, which had been tastefully decorated with Japanese lanterns. Here the prizes were graciously presented by Mrs. Robinson to the successful competitors.

In introducing Mrs. Robinson, Mr. Thos. H. Reid, who presided in the unavoidable absence of the Hon. F. H. May, Chairman of the Club, said the members appreciated the interest Commodore Robinson, like his predecessors, had shown in the V.R.C., and were pleased to welcome Mrs. Robinson there that afternoon. They also appreciated the interest taken in the Club by their President, His Excellency the Governor, and by Lady Blake and Miss Blake.

(Applause.) The prizes formed one of the most valuable collections he had ever seen, and the competitors who had won them had displayed excellent form. This was the more remarkable when they took into consideration the fact that the typhoon early in August had destroyed the Club premises and made it difficult for the members to get proper practice. This year, too, the Club was deprived of a number of its best swimmers who were with the Corporation Contingent, but it was a consolation for their absence to know that they had been worthily upholding the credit of the Club in competitions in England and had shown that the Hongkong boys could hold their own in swimming and water polo. (Applause.)

The handsome silver shield and gold badges won by the water polo team of the V.R.C. in the recent competition of the Hongkong Water Polo Association were also presented by Mrs. Robinson, as were also the seven silver badges won by the runners-up, the Royal Welch Fusiliers to the prize had been distributed. Mr. Reid thanked Mr. Robinson, and asked him to accept from the members of the V.R.C. a handsome bouquet of choice flowers that had been prepared by Mrs. M. A. Souza.

Commodore Robinson briefly acknowledged the compliment, and expressed on behalf of his wife and himself the pleasure it had given them to be present that afternoon. His acquaintance with the V.R.C. dated as far back as 1878. He knew that the officers of the fleet had been well received by the members, and he hoped when the fleet returned from the north that the officers would take their share in the regatta.

On the call of Mr. R. H. Mitchell, three hearty cheers were given for Mrs. Robinson and "three more" for the Commodore. The following are the results of the competitions:—

1.—Two Lengths (Handicap). 1st Prize presented by W. B. Dixon, Esq. 2nd prize presented. First and Second in each heat to swim in final (18 competitors).
FISAL HEAT.
O. R. Chunyut, 14 secs. 1
H. S. Holmes, 14 secs. 2
The scratch men, A. Humphreys and N. H. Alves, never had a show in this race. It practically lay between the two placed men from the start, and Chunyut got home a yard ahead. Time—55 secs.

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panied by an Indian boy, and they

were only armed with pistol and an old

gun, the attack was successfully repelled.

The boat used was of the best quality and

both sides of the boat were equipped with

the result that the bandits were dis-

courageous regarding the numbers on board

and retired discomfited.

The voyage down the river was of a very

pleasant character and on account of the

rivers' shallowness. For the greater part

of the time the boats had to be pushed

along with poles.

THE COMMERCIAL TREATY.

A commercial treaty with considerable

experience in regard to the Transit Pass

system, favours us with the following

pertinent remarks on the subject (says the

P. and T. Times of the 6th inst.):—

The different telegrams that have reach-

ed here in regard to the New Anglo-

Chinese Commercial Treaty will have been

read with the utmost interest by business

men connected with the China Trade. It

must be a surprise to many that the

address of Mr. C. J. Dudgeon, at the

Special General Meeting of the China

Association in Shanghai on 31st May last,

has not called for more enthusiastic en-

thusiasm. Whoever is responsible for the ap-

pointment of Mr. Dudgeon on the Com-

mission to assist Sir James Mackay in dis-

cussing and drawing up the proposed treaty

with the Chinese Government, we do not

know, but we accept in the calm manner in

which the members of the China Association

listened to what he had to say, and what

he has done or is doing, we are told by the

Commissioner, especially the abolition of

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